MONTEREY NEWS

AUGUST 1991

TOWN NEWS

At the June 24 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, it was unanimously voted to appoint Gordon Hamm Chief of Police. Mr. Hamm had been serving as Acting Chief of Police since March, when former Chief of Police Doug Lyman was suspended and subsequently dismissed. Gareth Backhaus was appointed Sergeant, and three officers were named: Rita Backhaus, Harry W. McMahon and Steve Hastedt. It was also decided that the offices of the Police Department be located on the second floor of the Monterey School.

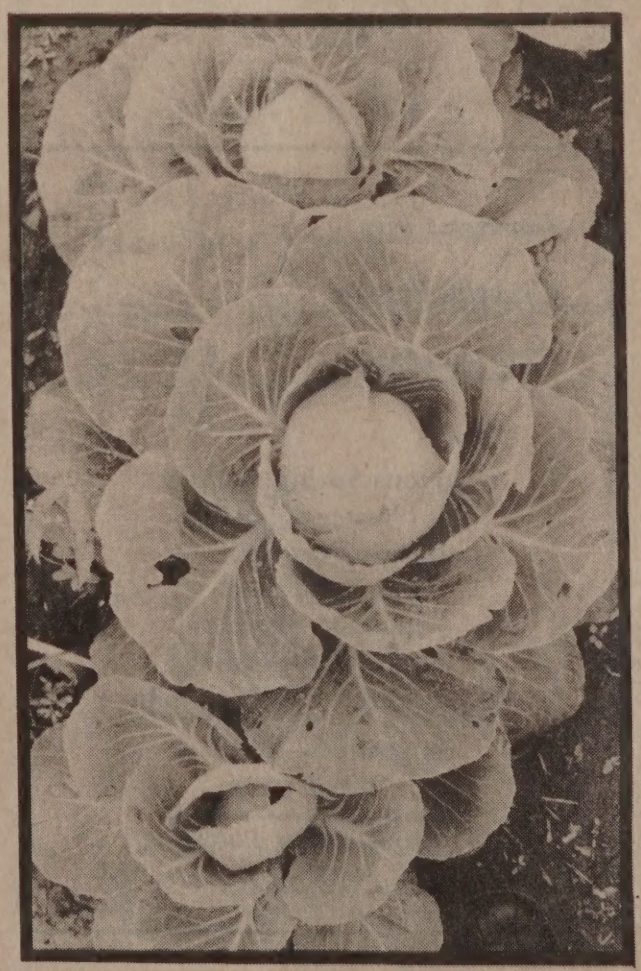
The Selectmen received a letter from Alan Green, a part-time resident of Monterey. Dr. Green wanted to commend Police Sergeant Gareth Backhaus on his professional competence and sympathetic manner during a June incident in which a member of Dr. Green's family became ill and needed a police escort to Fairview Hospital.

Much time at the Selectmen's meetings during the past month has been devoted to a landlord-tenant dispute. Denise Matteau, a tenant at Lee Side Lodge, has accused her landlord of several violations of the Massachusetts Housing Code, principally failure to provide adequate locks for entry doors. Because her landlord is Matt Williams, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Mr. Williams has excused himself from the Board during these discussions. Selectman Bill Bohn has served as acting chair. As of this writing, the dispute has not been resolved.

The Monterey Planning Board held a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen on July 1 to discuss the Planning Board vacancy created by the resignation of Elk Dempsey. It was unanimously voted to appoint Peter S. Brown to the Planning Board for a term ending May 2, 1992. At that time, the remainder of Mr. Dempsey's unexpired term (ending 1995) will be filled by election at the Annual Town Meeting.

Also during the July 1 meeting, the Board opened bids for the exterior painting of the Monterey Library. Three bids were received, and Eric Pedersen, the low bidder, was awarded the project.

The following building permit applications were approved: David and Barbara Schoenfarber of Lawrence, New York, for the construction of a new single-family dwelling at Stevens Lake, lot #9, submitted by Steven Zayac, the contractor (the Board



noted that the application will be held until the well permit has been issued); Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goldberg of Rockville Centre, New York, for the construction of a single-family dwelling at Hupi Woods, lot #7, submitted by Mickey Jervas, the contractor (the Board noted that the application will be held until the well permit has been issued and the septic system has been approved); George Watsein, for an attic dormer addition to his Harmon Road home, submitted by Tom Gillis, the contractor; Matt Williams, for the demolition of a house destroyed by fire at his Pixley Road property. The debris will be shipped out, and the Conservation Commission has reviewed the plan with no conditions attached to it. (It was noted that Mr. Williams absented himself from the Board for this permit signing.)

— Maggie Leonard

SOVIET VISITORS IN MONTEREY

Several Soviet professionals who are here as temporary residents at the State University of New York in Albany, along with some American specialists on the Soviet Union, will be the guests at the next Community Dinner on Wednesday, August 14. This year, in order to have an in-depth discussion, we have invited more mature Soviet people, rather than the undergraduates we have had here for the past fourteen years.

The dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., and the discussion starts at 7:30. You are invited to either or both. Please bring a covered dish to serve six if you come to the dinner. For more information, please call Nancy Rowley at 528-6952, or Bernard Kleban at 528-4187 or (212) 549-5171.

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CHURCH NEWS

Ah, Vacation! VA-CA-TION (vakashen) n. 1. a period of suspension of regular work, study or other activity. 2. an act or instance of vacating. 3. to take or have a vacation; freedom from something.

The Aerie family is about to go on vacation. Actually, by the time you read this, we'll be almost home. How, you ask, can anyone living smack-dab in the heart of vacation land even think about "vacating" such a wonderful place? It's easy! Just think about what we have to come home to.

A vacation is a period when you get away from the norm, the routine, the commonplace to gain respite and renewal. This year marks my wife's fortieth birthday and number seventy for her father. Jan decided that this year our family needed to go on a pilgrimage—to take the children to the places she lived in the Midwest, so they could see where their mom grew up. Grandpa is coming along, too, and her brothers and sister (with their families) will be gathering for a family reunion. It promises to be a wonderful experience of "getting back to the roots" for Jan and providing our children with a glimpse of the "way it used to be."

ROOTS! We all have them. Some of us have a single taproot running deep in our personal histories. Others of us may have a broad, spread-out root system that anchors us to our past. The church, too, has roots. Our particular congregation is blessed with an unusually long history—two hundred forty-one years, to be precise. Just think, there was a church in this community *before* the Revolutionary War, *before* the Declaration of Independence, *before* the unification of the thirteen colonies. Our congregation has had to weather many storms and has known its share of trial and tribulation. Yet for all the struggle, we have emerged as a faithful body of Christians standing on the brink of the twenty-first century.

In planning for our future, however, we have discovered that roots are not enough. To grow and flourish we need to develop WINGS! We need to discover and explore our identity as God's people and affirm that we have a unique calling—that we must share our deep gladness with the hungering world. I guess you could say that we're in the process of trying on wings—looking for the correct size, shape, color and style so that our ministry can mature to its fullest possibilities.

So keep an eye out for amazing things happening at the intersection of Main and Tyringham Roads. Better yet, come on inside the doors on Sunday mornning, especially if you're trying to recover your roots and find a new set of wings. And, oh yes, don't be surprised if the Aerie family comes back from vacation sporting the latest in designer wings!

P. S. The response to our auction and benefit concert was overwhelming. A very special thank you to Ray Tryon and the Monterey Fire Company for the use of the pavilion and to all who gave their time and energy to make these events such a great success.

— Cliff Aerie

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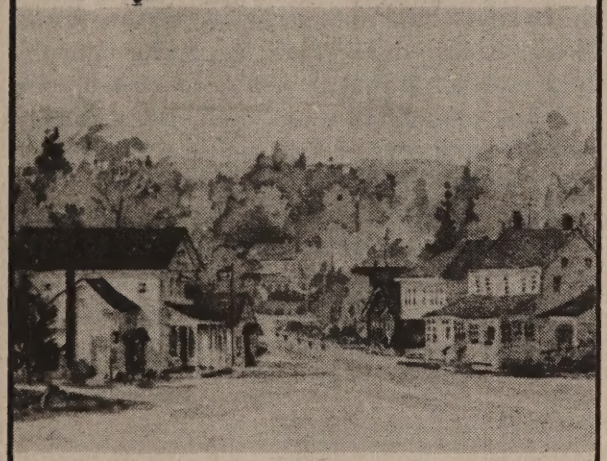

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LAND TRUST NEWS

Where were you? Our annual meeting was held in Bidwell Park on July 14. Those of you who didn't make it missed a wonderful party. The food was fantastic and the music just astonishing. It amazed us all that there is such talent within our tiny town, and within our tiny land trust, to boot. Jason Brown can't be thanked enough for the superb organizing.

Bill Crofut started off with some songs for the kids. He was joined by Karl Finger, and the "kid stuff" was over. The two had never met, but all I can say is that they really turned each other on. A totally unexpected treat. Karl then sang and played solo. He even sang, among other things, the old *Route 23* song. He had forgotten the words and had to tape them to the mike, but even so he managed to get us all (even tone deaf me) singing the choruses. He was fine. John Humphrey, well, he'll hate me for saying this, but he just has the sweetest voice. He performed mostly his own songs. We may ask him if we can adopt his *Johnson Farm* as our land trust anthem, heart-breaking though it may be. Anson Olds was our last performer. He was just plain wonderful. A true virtuoso and professional. His singing is effortless and mellow, and he's such a fine musician. We could have listened to him all afternoon. However, the sound system was plugged into the icemaker at the store, and the hour Maynard had allotted us was up, and we had to very reluctantly call it a day. And a wonderful day it was.

The Land Trust, with the blessing of the Park Commission, has "adopted" Bidwell Park for the fiscal year July 1, 1991-June 30, 1992. Tom Rosenthal thinks our effort may save the town $300. The idea that land trusts around the state adopt parks was, I was told by Jane Swift, suggested by Peter Webber of the DEM. The idea sounded great to our Board, but there was little information or guidance available from his office. But we decided to go ahead with our adoption anyway. Bidwell is, after all, a very undemanding and lovely park, and the job should turn out to be anything but onerous. But we need membership involvement. If you'd like to help, please call me at 528-0550 or 528-6785.

The Directors for the 1991-92 year are: Andrea and Chris Dunlop, Bob Emmel, John Humphrey, Susan McAllester, Storrs Olds, Eric Roper, Joyce Scheffey, Bob Thieriot and Roger Tryon.

A wonderful rest of summer to you all.

— Joyce Scheffey

CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM

We are now halfway through the summer. There are still some free passes available for the Robbins-Zust Family Marionette shows at Mixed Company in Great Barrington. Call Claudette at 528-9311 if you would like some.

Playgroup leader training will be held on August 13 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Children's Health Program. We are looking for women who will be able to serve as substitute leaders at our regular playgroups. Speak to a playgroup leader or to Claudette if you are interested.

Parent-to-Parent volunteer training will begin toward the end of September. The course is five sessions long. If you enjoy children and would like to be a helpmate to a mother in the area, you might be interested in this program. Call Claudette for more information and an application.

Our August activities will include: August 6, playgroup at Lee Side Lodge in Monterey, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; August 8, picnic at Prospect Lake in Egremont, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; August 14, trip to Forest Park Zoo in Agawam, meet at CHP at 9:00 a.m. Please call Claudette so we will know how many to expect and for information about fees. August 25, picnic at York Lake in Sandisfield State Forest, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

We have two new videos available from our free lending library: *Baby Bottle Tooth Decay*, which explains the dangers of allowing a baby to use the bottle too much; and *Sometimes It's All Right to Tell Secrets*, which is designed to help children say "no" when someone asks them to do something that makes them uncomfortable. It would be wise to view this one on your own before sharing it with your children. We also have available to lend booklets on child abuse and coloring books for children about child abuse donated by the Independent Order of Foresters.

CHP is saving Tylenol proof-of-purchase seals to obtain Fisher-Price block sets for our playgroup sites. You can drop the seals in the envelope outside Claudette's office (which also contains some Tylenol coupons, which you may use) or mail them to CHP at 54 Castle Street, Great Barrington, Massachusetts 01230.

— Claudette Callahan

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LAKE GARFIELD ASSOCIATION NEWS

The Lake Garfield Association held its first meeting of the season on July 13. Drawdown was the major topic of discussion. Patricia Edelstein agreed to research the subject of the opening and closing dates of the dam. There will be further discussion of this issue, along with the recommendations of the Lake Management Committee at the August meeting.

Jane Bohn has resigned as secretary and Muriel Lazzarini was named to fill the vacancy. Paul Carnese reported that the Boating and Safety Committee is in the process of summarizing Massachusetts boating and water safety requirements for Lake Garfield users. He needs more volunteers to help him in this endeavor and also in researching other water safety issues confronting us.

Due to a conflict in schedules, it appears that we will have to wait until 1992 for the next canoe flotilla.

Everyone interested in Lake Garfield is invited to attend our next meeting—August 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the firehouse. Dues are only $10 a year.

— Muriel Lazzarini

FRIENDLY NEIGHBORS UPDATE

The number of cards received by children in the Shriners Hospital in the past several months has grown exponentially. This number cannot begin to measure up to the enthusiastic response of the children as they now anticipate mail from their friendly neighbors. In the July issue of the *Monterey News,* I invited you to join me in a project of corresponding with children hospitalized at Shriners. Now, many community members are sending weekly cards or notes to one or more children. During the summer, more children than ever are inpatients—some still have no friendly neighbor. It's not too late to join the list of well-wishers. Call or write me if you'd like to take part.

— Jan Aerie
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MONTEREY GRANGE NEWS

The Grange held its Youth Night on July 17. Young people conducted the meeting and furnished the program.

New officers were chosen. Plans were made for a food sale on the Monterey Library lawn on August 17.

The Grange has been invited to Youth Night at West Stockbridge on August 5 and will furnish a number for the program.

Our next meeting will be August 21 for an agricultural program.

— Mary Wallace

MORE HERBICIDES ON STEVENS POND

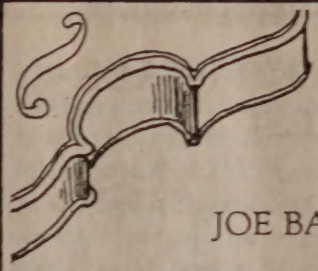
There will be a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. Monday, September 23, for the Monterey Conservation Commission to hear a request by Irving Yost to make another application of the herbicide Sonar to Stevens Pond in the spring of 1992. The commission had originally issued a permit for only one application of the chemical, but the subsequent appearance of two new weed species has inspired the request for further treatment.

All interested parties are urged to come and hear the pros and cons of this request.

— Monterey Conservation Commission

NEW BOOKLET AVAILABLE FROM ELDER SERVICES

Elder Services of Berkshire County has just published a twenty-page *Guide to Longterm Care*. It is available for $1.00 by calling Elder Services in Pittsfield at 1-800-544-5242.



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SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE NEWS

The amount of furniture dropped off on the July 4 weekend surpassed all estimates. We were advised that for a town our size, one roll-off container would be enough. It wasn't. There was such an overflow of extra stuff lying around the container at the close of the weekend that our hauler was unable to get his truck near enough to take it. Crews from Gould Farm and the town had to clear a path to make it possible for Berkshire Cleanways (our hauler) to remove the full container. The hauler had to bring additional containers for the overflow. Unfortunately, the town will have to pay for these added services, as the Southern Berkshire Solid Waste District is only handling the cost of one pickup.

The big news on the recycling front is that the Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) in Springfield is changing its policy on paper recycling. Because of an ever-increasing amount of unacceptable paper (envelopes with plastic windows, containers with food residue, etc.) arriving at MRF, as of September 16, MRF will accept only newspapers, magazines, clean corrugated cardboard, brown paper bags and white letter paper. Newspapers should be separated from other types of paper and placed in bags — nothing should be tied with string. Let's try to get used to the new procedure before it becomes mandatory.

On a brighter note, the Monterey Solid Waste Committee is happy to announce that according to Robin Mallory, the Master Garbologist in charge of our plastic bottle recycling, the program is going extremely well. She did ask that we stress the need to rinse out bottles. Bleach and other strong liquids left in bottles present a hazard for the people on her end.

For those of you who missed an earlier article on the subject, all plastic containers are required to have a number stamped on them, usually on the bottom. As the market for recycled plastics is just opening up, we can for the present recycle *bottles only,* marked with the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 5. These numbers cover almost all bottles produced, so we can make a huge difference in the amount of plastic we recycle instead of dumping in the Chicopee landfill. The Mallorys are busy investigating markets for other forms of plastic and hope to be able to add them to the program soon. For now, though, remember to recycle only bottles with the proper numbers; discard caps; rinse thoroughly and crush if possible.

We thank Bob Gatten at our transfer station for his help in dealing with the new program. Please be very careful in separating refuse for all the containers. Bob will conscientiously climb into them to remove contaminants, which is way beyond the call of duty. We ask everyone to match his conscientiousness at home.

If you have questions, call Robin or Joe Mallory at 229-3442, or any of us.

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Beverage cartons / cases		✓
Books		✓
Cereal boxes / pizza boxes		✓
Cigarette boxes		✓
Detergent boxes		✓
Egg cartons		✓
Envelopes		✓
Fertilizer / feed bags		✓
Food packaging / food wastes		✓
Frozen food boxes		✓
Gift wrap		✓
Juice / milk cartons		✓
Paper plates / paper cups		✓
Paper towels / tissues		✓
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Photographs		✓
Plastic bags		✓
Sanitary products		✓
Styrofoam		✓
Waxed paper / cardboard		✓

Some changes...

- Try to separate newspapers from magazines into bags for each
- Do not tie paper with string

Some reminders...

- Rinse bottles and cans
- No scrap metal (hangers, frying pans) placed with bottles and cans

"When in doubt...
...throw it out"

Thanks!

LATE NIGHT MOSQUITO MEDITATIONS

I did a lot of murder last night, and today it just seems like a bad dream. I could pretend it didn't happen except for the bloodstains and a dazed, light-headed feeling I have today. To be accurate, I don't think my spaced-out condition is the direct result of the blood-letting, the killing spree. I'm not struggling with societal guilt, remorse, or a post-carnage let-down of some kind. I'm just short of sleep.

Here in the Berkshires we have been working through some real dog days lately, hazy, close and hot. By 5:00 p.m. the bank clock on Main Street is down to 93 degrees F and the sun is looking almost romantic after a cruel day. We don't have a big appetite these days, and when we sit down we find it unusually hard to stand up again. Finally, true bedtime comes. (We don't get *in* bed these nights, we get on it.) Pick up something from the mountain of reading material and get ready to escape to the world of fiction. Get focused on the printed word, relax against cool white pillows.

Within seconds, the bloodbath begins. We are recalled insinuously, almost subconsciously, from wherever we have been. Reading about Arctic explorations, shivering in pursuit of the snow leopard, striking our last match by the bank of the frozen Yukon—suddenly we realize we have been listening to the whine of an approaching enemy plane. This is not part of our cool fictional escape. This is hot and bothered reality, right here in the bedroom.

Down goes the printed word, up comes the focus of weary eyes. There she is! Lifting off sated and sluggish from the pillow. In an animal response that spans the centuries and puts the lie to any notions of conflict resolution or negotiation, we knock her out of the air and feel the hot rush of success. This is death dealt to an enemy, the ultimate answer. You wanna buzz me, bite me, mess up my precious moments of peace after a tough day? Take that!

Now the cool white pillow is not so white anymore. Soon it is smeared with the bodies of my enemies, and with our shared blood.

Who are these little pilots? Are they bold warriors, flying in under the nose of an adversary a zillion times their size to count coup on a bare shoulder or an unprotected earlobe? Or are they desperate survivalists, set up by nature to die in droves so that a few may reproduce to carry on the evolutionary line?

They are female mosquitos, recently mated and looking for a blood meal to provide protein for the next generation. Teeny as they are, they are fully equipped with flight and landing apparatus, delicate sensors of temperature and carbon dioxide, and a mouthful of specialized spears for poking holes, spitting anticoagulant, and extracting blood. These mouthparts are so sharp that we often don't feel the wound. It is the anticoagulant that produces an allergic reaction in most of us. Some unlucky people get great itching welts, while others don't even see the bite after it has happened.

The female who survives my battlefield of the pillow goes off to lay her eggs. Some species, such as the malaria-carrying anopheles mosquito, lay eggs singly. Others put them in clusters or rafts. Usually, they are laid on the surface of still water, though

sometimes they are left in a place which is likely to be full of water soon, such as an empty tin can.

We think of swamps and marshes as the prime mosquito breeding places, but a beer can or an old tire is just as good, if not better. In swamps and marshes, there are salamanders, fish, predatory insects and frogs who gobble up mosquito larvae before they even hatch. In an old tire there is just the mosquito and some old rain water. She flies in, puts down 400 eggs, and takes off again. With no predators around, this raft will have a fabulous hatch and in a few days pass through larval and pupal stages to emerge as adults. Half will be peaceful vegetarian males. The rest will mate and then head straight for our screen door, looking for that hole the dog made during the last thunderstorm.

Right about here, I feel a familiar burden to argue the rights, the usefulness, in fact, the desirability of the mosquito. Right about here is where some people will stop reading. Here goes.

Looked at from far enough away, in existential space, we are all creatures that crawl, chew, spit and whine for a short time on the one and only perfect planet. Somehow, we got here, now we have a right to stay here our allotted time. The mosquito feeds many another of God's animal children, including birds, fish, reptiles and other larger insects. As I lie sweating in my bed, I can feel a part of this design. After all, who feeds the mosquito? Me.

Besides that, mosquitoes are graceful, fabulous animals with a behavior and a life cycle so unlike our own that to study them is to be transported in a way that even my bedtime reading cannot accomplish. I don't say we shouldn't mash the mosquito that bites us, I'm just saying that's not the only thrill a mosquito has to offer. Look how we're different; look how we're alike. Grapple with these big thoughts as you lie on your bed and feel your resentment fade. It will make it easier to get back to sleep after the battle.

— Bonner J. McAllester

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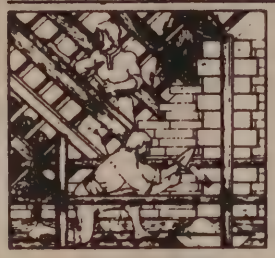

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will realize,
just what they're doing
to this wonderful prize.

I wish they could see
beyond their eyes,
all this beautiful nature
and where it lies.

So as I ride by
these beautiful fields,
I think of nature,
and all it yields.

— Aldeth Pullen

MORNING MIST

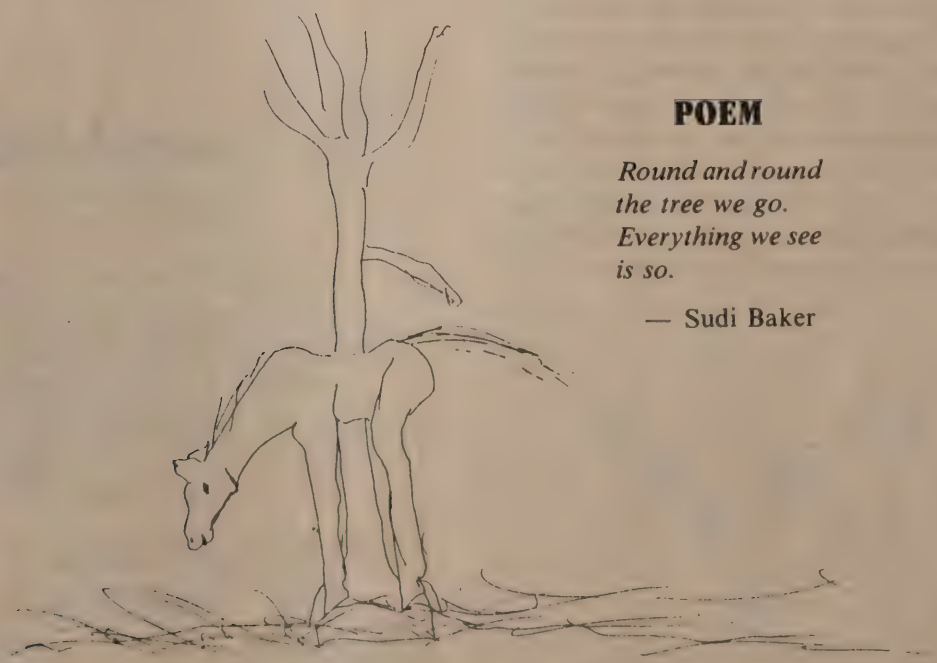
In the morning light,
I see a strange sight.
A doe and a fawn,
Are grazing on my lawn.
Over the floor,
I tiptoe to the door.
But as soon as my foot,
Touches the ground,
Away they bound!!!

— Martha Pullen

HAIKU

Approaching seasons
Appear briefly in thought, and
Timelessness remains.

— Ann M. LaVallee



POEM

Round and round
the tree we go.
Everything we see
is so.

— Sudi Baker

I KNOW OF MORNINGS

I think things are intangible that weigh
Upon the soul . . .

I know of mornings I have felt a grief
So deep, so unendurable —
While eastward rose the sun in quiet glory
Unaware . . .

What sunset in my soul was there at dawn —
That I would have sunk beneath the wave
A wave forever! . . .

Only the sun can face the day . . .

Sweet night!
Thou curtain over all intolerable acts —

Thou vault begemmed with mystery!

Thou tip-toe realm of loveliness and death!

— Earle Stafford in
The Meadowlark Sang Long Ago, 1988

MILKWEED

Walking by the woodshed
Much to my surprise,
Milkweed was in blossom
Before my very eyes.

The faded purple flowers
Were heralds for the King.
The black and orange Monarch
Would soon be on the wing.

August days are milkweed days —
Monarch butterflies are gay,
Until the winds of Autumn,
Sweep them both away.

— Sheldon Fenn
in *Woodburn Farm*, 1988

UNGRATEFUL MOTEL GUEST

Such comfort,
And not at my expense:
A hot bath,
Deodorant soap,
A little sewing kit,
A TV show
Of nubile starlets,
Waterfalls in the lobby,
Birches, azaleas, cherry trees
In profusion, outside;
Fresh flowers on the table,
Belgian waffles with blueberries —
And all of it not real,
Not real, at all!

— David P. McAllester

THE WIND IS MY NEIGHBOR

Breaking through the brambles, where once a road had been,
I came upon the house that the wind lives in.

(Oh how can we work now, at peace with our labor,
Knowing we have only the wind for a neighbor?)

The wind is the farmer that sows the forest seed,
Her home rises stark in an acre of weed.

Through the doors and windows, like wild invisible waters,
Catch-who-can and tumble, race the wind's daughters.

O wind, you have hardly a shutter unbroken,
So rough and so restless are your wild children.

Somewhere walks a woman who was never meant for child;
She plants all the mountains while her daughters run wild.

(Oh how can we rest here at peace with our labor,
Knowing we have only the wind for a neighbor?)

— Margery Mansfield

GOLD

The moon shone bright and Grandma wore her lace
With mitts to match; her words would quickly pour:
How Uncle Ben once rode his horse away
To tackle gold fields, in that mighty race
Of men who later brought home wealth, and bore
The scars of other years lived fast to pay
For all that fortune they had gained one day.

Yet Uncle Ben was legend shaped of lore
We children loved to hear and talk about
When idling by the waves or sandy shore.
His horse had been a bay that could outpace
The mounts of all the others in this rout
Of common sense that left home folks to doubt
Whether they'd borne a son, or a disgrace.

— Sue Moody

ENIGMA

My first is in smile but not in frown.
My second in laugh but not in clown.
My third is in nail but not in hammer.
My fourth's not in file, but it is in sander.
In evening you'll find my fifth to be,
And you'll find my last when you stop for tea.
What am I?

Find the letters that spell the answer.

— E. Kimberley

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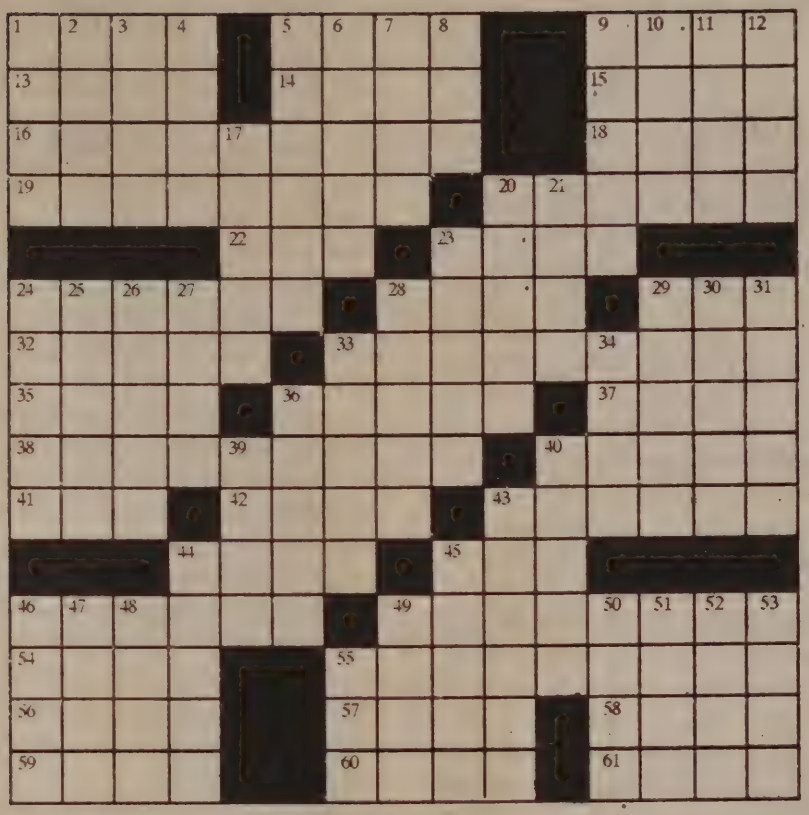
ANIMAL TALK

By Ted Tchack



ACROSS

1 Comfort
5 Pitcher parts
9 Short cover
13 Inter_____
14 Opening
15 Greek coin
16 FOOLING AROUND
18 Second in a series
19 Response
20 _____at a time
22 Chop
23 Eager
24 Decelerated
28 Strike
29 So. Univ.
32 Even
33 Invitation to revisit
35 Eastern leaders
36 Spanish pots
37 Troubles
38 PLAYFUL
40 Shore bird
41 Riviera season
42 Musical theme
43 Crazier
44 Avoid
45 Feline
46 SNOOZE
49 EXHAUSTED
54 Take on
55 INFATUATION
56 Thought
57 Pharaoh
58 Paradise
59 Require
60 German name
61 Dispatched

DOWN

1 Austrian playwright
2 Century plant
3 Money on The Rialto
4 Not fem.
5 Spotted
6 Permit
7 Dappled
8 Pen
9 "And so___"
10 Resting
11 Agenda
12 Drama
17 Mrs. Kennedy
20 Race tracks
21 Palm
23 Deity
24 Satisfy
25 On the up and up
26 Egg-shaped
27 Direction
28 Latin dance
29 Greens
30 Pooh creator
31 Name in auto racing
33 Ascend
34 Put on
36 Slightly ahead
39 Lab need
40 GOSSIPY
43 Corvine bird
44 Name in golf
45 Egyptians
46 Facial feature
47 Assistant
48 Large plant
49 Contest
50 Lands in The Seine
51 Traveled
52 Smooth
53 Hollow
55 Greek letter

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REPORTER AT LARGE

Sunrise on Lake Garfield

July 19: One of those cool, still mornings at the beginning of a hot summer day. At 5:15, the hazy sky is beginning to glow pink, and I feel the need to see it as fully as possible in this tree-girt region. (I've just been to the Oklahoma plains, and then we've had two days on the Rhode Island shore.) On the lake, the water is mirror-smooth and the sky is doubled by the reflection. The light clouds are white and luminous pink all the way to the hills in the west. As I get out the canoe, a catbird is alternating between snatching high bush blueberries and imitating a mockingbird. Farther back in the woods, a hermit thrush is answering with arpeggios like a glass harmonica. All along the shore, wild roses are saying in the delicate language of pheromones, "This is summer, pay attention!" Meadowsweet five feet high is glowing, creamy white.

Out on the water, I circle slowly so as to see sky and reflection in every direction, and then start moving along the south shore. A kingfisher clatters out of a leaning birch and swoops along ahead of me. He lands and waits until I catch up, then off he goes again with his rattling call. We play almost-tag like this all the way to Parker's Cove. As I go by the cattails on the south and west marshes of the cove, I watch the moire pattern of the tall leaves that seem to be moving past each other. I look around at a splash in time to see a young beaver who has just come up disappear again in a smooth surface dive.

Now the sun has cleared the rim of Hunger Mountain. The great red ball in the haze is still easy on the eyes, the stage the Dineh call "not yet alive," but I decide to make it go down again by paddling directly toward it. The mountain begins to rise up, takes a bite out of the sun's lower rim, then covers it altogether. A few red sparks glitter in the treetops, and then I'm in the shadow of the mountain, coasting the north shore. A couple of crows hop about in a huge oak with a noise of flapping wings and vociferation. Farther along, a great blue heron launches forth from another treetop, neck curved back like the bowsprit of a trireme of the air. Where he makes his stately progress, the sky has lost its pink, the clouds have retreated into the haze, and all is a pale, light blue.

A handsome elderly gentlemen greets me from the deck in front of his cottage, and I realize that he and I are the only members of our species who are sharing the early morning and the lake with its more primordeal inhabitants. I've been thinking of the creatures and plants I've seen as entries on the checklist the Lake Garfield Association is organizing: *Item:* a ten-inch perch hovering over her "nest," a place she has cleared down to the white sand; *Item:* a great blue heron, spotted shortly after sunrise; *Item:* wild turkeys clucking in the woods back of the cattails in Parker's Cove; *Item* . . . .

Then I slip into a warmer mode of thinking, where these personages are no more "items" than I am: great-uncle Oak sheltering his grandchildren, my second cousins, the Crows; younger brother Beaver tending his own business and hoping I will tend mine; Counselor Heron, advising me not to disturb the lake at a time when it still belongs to its autochthones.

— David P. McAllester

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MONTEREY HISTORY

The Inns, Taverns, and Boarding Houses in Monterey

As we all know, Monterey was at one time part of Tyringham Settlement, with a population of about 325. It was originally called Green Woods. Years later, after separation from North Tyringham during the Mexican War, patriotic selectmen wished to change the name in honor of General Zachary Taylor's battles in Mexico. Thus in 1847, about a year before General Taylor was elected president, the town was renamed Monterey.

According to the records, the first tavern was opened by Isaac Benedict. I find no records of the exact location, except that he was among the earliest settlers. It has been suggested that it might have been on Blue Hill. There was a homestead which could have been Isaac Benedict's near the former Andrew Hall property not far from the well-known Benedict Pond.

On a map dated 1858 there is printed "The W. N. Bentley Hotel," located across from the present Library. This building is now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hebert. I do not know if it is the original building except to say I know it was there in 1909 and was a landmark as one entered the village.

Beginning around 1895, people became interested in Monterey and its Lake Garfield as an ideal vacation land. In due time the natives opened their homes as "boarding houses," a term used long, long ago. The following is a list which seems incredible in numbers for such a small town, or should I say "village," for such it was in those early days. In some instances I am giving approximate dates as I remember them, having arrived in Monterey for my first of many summers in 1909.

1909: Moses Fargo
1910: Mrs. Mame Benton
1910: Mrs. Clara Brooks
1915: Mrs. Louis Stoiber
Until 1906: Mrs. Sears, who sold her home to Dr. Henry Groehl that year.

Mrs. Bert Tryon and, before her, "Tryon's Hotel" run by Nina Tryon's grandparents.

1912: Mrs. Jasper Bills, "Willow Glen"
1900: Mrs. William Bidwell, "Ledgehurst"
1920: Brookbend Inn, opened as an Inn by Miss Leila Morse. The last to operate Brookbend as an Inn was John Dubrelle in 1969.

1915: Mrs. Herbert Smith, "The Maples." It was owned later by Mrs. Hecht, who sold the property to be used as a private home to Harold Marr. Now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schwab.
1916: Mrs. Henry Woods
1916: Mrs. William Bump
1915: Mrs. Henry Clapp, who sold to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lankenau as a private home.
1948: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lancome, near the former Lake Garfield Golf Club as one enters the village. They created a well-known French Restaurant called "Sun Inside."

— Beulah Taggart Peacock, 1969
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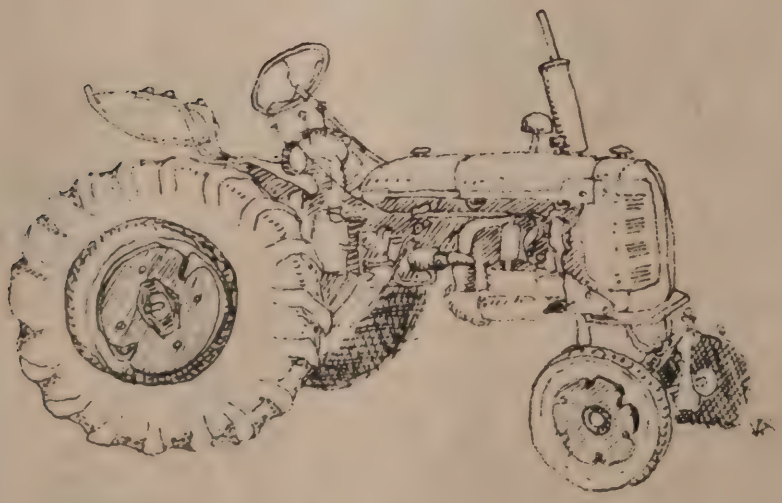
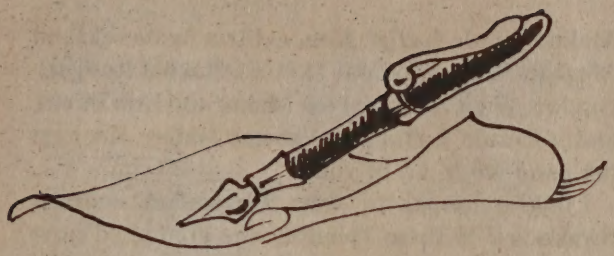
Answer to *Enigma*: **SUNSET**



NOBODY'S FOOL

TREE SWALLOW FAMILY

by Eleanor Kimberley



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

(The following is a copy of a letter received by the Selectmen.)

I realize that we have a minor traffic problem in town on weekends during the summer months, but the remedy, in my mind, is worse than the malady. The painting of parking spaces and cross-hatching in front of buildings is like cutting off your nose to stop it from running.

Monterey center has been converted from a charming, friendly, quiet, small town into the parking lot in front of Price Chopper. I can think of several less obtrusive ways of resolving the parking problem than the garish, ugly lines we now have.

Please, please, please give us back our occasional weekend confusion—it is part of Monterey life!

— Martin H. Cherneff

HAMPTON E. PRICE

Dr. Hampton E. Price, 86, died June 3 in Columbia, South Carolina.

He was born in Blythewood, South Carolina, the son of Eugene Bartlette and Frances McLean Price. He was a graduate of Furman University and earned his STM degree and his doctorate at Andover Newton Theological Seminary in Newton, Massachusetts.

He was married to the former Ruth Vivian Handley for 43 years. His wife died in 1983.

Dr. Price was pastor of churches in Ashland, Massachusetts; Clearfield, Utah; Chicago, Illinois; and Dunstable, Massachusetts. For ten years, he was Executive Director of Gould Farm in Monterey. Following his retirement, Dr. Price returned to his boyhood home in Hartsville, South Carolina.

He leaves two sons, Hampton Lee Price of Fairport, New York, and David Kevin Price of Farmington, Connecticut; two daughters, Mrs. Ellen Price Bowler of Birmingham, Michigan, and Mrs. Meillyn Price Donohue of Palo Park, Illinois; a brother, Leslie B. Price of Stone Mountain, Georgia; a sister, Mrs. Christine P. Gibson of Hartsville, South Carolina; seven grandchildren; and a special friend, Mrs. Leland Culpepper of Hartsville, South Carolina.

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PERSONAL NOTES

David McAllester is back from a week in Oklahoma, where he was the guest of the Burton Hawk family at the annual Cheyenne Sun Dance. There were thirty dancers who had pledged themselves to some seventy hours of prayer and intermittent dancing with no food or water, in order to renew the life force of the world. Hundreds of Cheyennes were there to support them, in an impressive demonstration of a revival of traditional Native American religion.

Hearty congratulations to **Mark** and **Tracey Mendel** on the birth of their daughter. **Grace Gloria Mendel** was born at Sharon Hospital on June 30, weighing in at 6lbs., 12oz. Grace joins brother **Julian** and sister **Bridget** at home.

And Monterey welcomes a couple of little firecrackers. Congratulations to **Danny** and **Elizabeth Andrus** on the birth of their son. **Daniel Anthony II** was born at Fairview Hospital on July 4. Paternal grandparents are **Tom** and **Pat Andrus** of Main Road.

And congratulations also to **David** and **Brenda Wright**, whose daughter, **Mackenzie Mae**, was born also at Fairview Hospital on July 4.

Best wishes to **Cynthia Hebert** and **John R. Lloyd III** on their engagement. An August wedding is planned for Cindy, daughter of **Bob** and **Linda Hebert** of Tyringham Road, and John, who hails from Lenox.

Hats off to those Monterey students named to the honor roll at Mt. Everett Regional School for the fourth quarter. They are, in Grade 10; *High Honors:* **Christopher Burkhart**, and *Honors:* **Marta Makuc**; Grade 9, *High Honors:* **Erin Sadlowski** and **Meghan Sadlowski**, and *Honors:* **Rachel Rodgers**; Grade 8, *High Honors:* **Paul Makuc** and **Erin Piretti**, and in Grade 7, *Honors:* **Vanessa Halley**. Keep up the good work, all of you!

Congratulations to **John Pizzichemi**, **Jennifer Swann** and **William Thieriot**, who graduated from Mt. Everett in June at ceremonies held at Tanglewood. John plans to attend Berkshire Community College, Jen will attend the University of Massachusetts, and Bill will attend Syracuse University. Best of luck to all of you!

Kudos to **Micole Raab**, who graduated from Berkshire Country Day School in Lenox, receiving both the Art award and the French award. Micole also scored Magna Cum Laude on the National Latin Exam! Great work, Micole! She is the daughter of **Jerrold** and **Giuliana Raab** of Main Road.

And very Happy Birthday wishes to **Chelsey Burns Smith** on August 2, to **David McAllester** on August 6, to **Ann Burns Smith** on August 7, to **Kate Elizabeth Olds** on August 15, to **Michelle Grotz** on August 20, to **Alton Heath** on August 22, to **Amanda Thorn** on August 24, to **Ann McGinley** on August 26, and, last but not least, to **Rick Mielke** on August 30.

Also, best wishes to **Mark** and **Tracey Mendel**, who celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on June 14.

Any news, birthdays you'd like to share? Please give me a call at 528-4519 or jot down your items and drop them in the mail to me, Route 23. I appreciate your contributions!

— Stephanie Grotz

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CALENDAR

Saturday, August 3—Children's film festival at the Monterey Library, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 6—Prayer Breakfast at the home of Judy Hayes, 7:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 10—Lake Garfield Association meeting, 10:00 a.m. at the firehouse.

Saturday, August 10—Square and Contra Dance, New England-style at the Sheffield Grange, Route 7, Sheffield, Mass. 8:30-11:30 p.m. This program is open to anyone. Beginners and children welcome. All dances taught by caller Joe Baker, music by Mountain Laurel. Refreshments served. Adults, $4; children, $1 to dance until intermission. Information: 528-9385.

Wednesday, August 14—Community Dinner, 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. Guests will be a group of visitors from the Soviet Union.

Thursday, August 15—Friends of Silence Meditation at the home of Alice and Arthur Somers, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 24—Storytelling by Nicky Hearon and party at the Monterey Library, 10:00 a.m.

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Friday, September 6—Historical Society meeting, 8:00 p.m. in the General Knox Museum at the Library. John Owen will present a program on New England stone walls.

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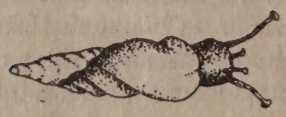

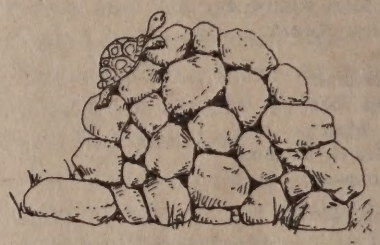

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